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Greenhouse effect

Climate

Ice age

Latitude

Biome

Polar zone

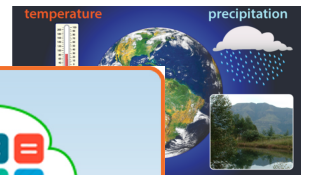
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Rain shadow

1. _____ - a large geographic region that is characterized by a particular climate and the plants and animals that live in that region



2. _____ - the average weather of a region over an extended period of time



3. _____ Earth's s

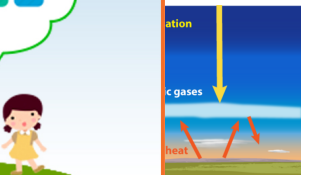
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4. _____ higher la

5. _____ degrees

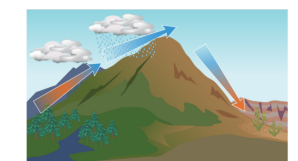
6. _____ - The climate zones greater than 66.5 degrees latitude north and south



7. _____ - winds that blow mostly from one direction in a particular geographic region



8. _____ - a desert-like region that is created when a cool air mass precipitates on one side of a mountain, and the dry air descends on the other side of the mountain





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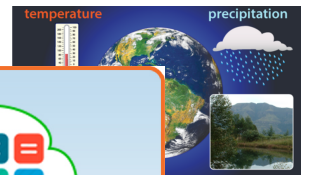
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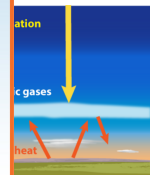
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2. **climate** - the average weather of a region over an extended period of time



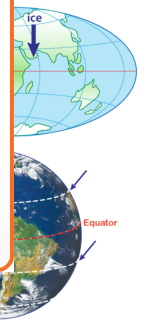
3. **greenhouse effect** - the process by which the Earth's atmosphere traps heat near the surface



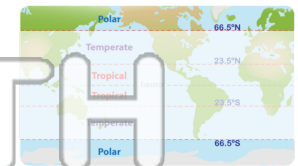
4. **ice age** - a period of time when the Earth's climate is characterized by lower temperatures and extensive ice sheets

5. **latitude** - the distance north or south of the equator

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6. **polar zone** - The climate zones greater than 66.5 degrees latitude north and south



7. **prevailing winds** - winds that blow mostly from one direction in a particular geographic region



8. **rain shadow** - a desert-like region that is created when a cool air mass precipitates on one side of a mountain, and the dry air descends on the other side of the mountain

